

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017  
AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Present**

K. McGrath – Chairman  
J. Middleton – Vice Chairperson  
M. Perry  
R. Poole  
V. Pitman  
C. Hake – Clerk

Also present were 3 members of the public, District Councillor Roger Habgood and County Councillor James Hunt

10 minute discussion on matters affecting the Parish and Agenda.

**1.03.17 – Apologies**

None

**2.03.17 – Declaration of Interest**

Mrs. Middleton declared an interest in item 5a.

**3.03.17 – Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting, which had previously been circulated, were agreed.

**4.03.17 – Police Report**

09/02 Langford Budville Animal – dog worrying livestock

There was a suspicious log, where a male had been seen on the perimeter of a remote farm in the Nynehead/Langford Budville area, and an accident in Langford Budville.

Mr. Habgood reported that a gang of ‘hoodies’ have been in the area looking suspiciously at vehicles and that the recent local fly tipping was cleared away quickly by TD.

**5.03.17 - Finance & Legal**

**a. Rural Isolation – request for funding**

Mrs Middleton declared an interest but explained to the Council exactly what her vision is, she requested funding to assist with providing refreshments’ and flyers to assist with setting up this project, which is strongly backed by District Councillor Roger Habgood who offered any assistance he could provide. After a long discussion it was unanimously agreed to offer £50 towards this project.

**b. Taunton Deane BC – Invoice for grass cutting**

It was unanimously agreed to pay the £888.48 + VAT invoice for grass cutting and bin emptying.

**c. Regional Conference Invoice**

It was unanimously agreed to pay the £72 Invoice for Mrs. Middleton to attend the conference.

**Planning Applications**

None

**Approvals**

None

## **Refusals**

None

### **6.03.17 – Dog Fouling**

Sadly there are still individuals who are not clearing up behind their dogs, the PC are looking into options to highlight the problem.

### **7.03.17 – Goal posts on triangle**

One set of nets on the goal posts has already been removed as they were broken, it was unanimously agreed to remove the other set as they too are being used as a climbing frame which in turn is weakening the actual goal posts, it was also noted that stakes are being placed to hold the nets back and not being removed, these could be potentially dangerous, the goal posts will be added to the annual play inspection for insurance purposes.

### **8.03.17 – Concrete lip in road at Church Hill**

Due to erosion the concrete lip on the edge of the road adjoining the gateway has become dangerous as cars going down the hill are going into the centre of the road on a blind corner to avoid it, this is not a highways issue as it is private property.

### **9.03.17 – Finger Post at Runnington**

The PC has received an estimate from SCC on the cost of repair, unfortunately this will be revised on 1<sup>st</sup> April, however it was unanimously agreed that the PC will get the revised quote and hopefully the repair can go ahead.

### **10.03.17 – Road Safety**

Mr. Perry spoke of his frustration at the length of time being taken to get things done; it would appear now that nothing will be sorted until after 1<sup>st</sup> April.

### **14.03.17 – Footpaths**

No report

### **15.03.17 – Correspondence**

The PC has received a letter from Adam Barnett who has set up a business, Community Maintenance, it was unanimously agreed to ask Mr. Barnett for a quote to repair the notice board at the school entrance.

The meeting closed at 8.45

The next meeting will be held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017.